



**MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Monday, August 24, 2015**

Present:

Mayor Brandt
Trustee Grujanac
Trustee McDonough
Trustee McAllister
Village Attorney Simon
~~Chief of Police Kinsey~~
Public Works Director Woodbury
Village Planner Robles

Trustee Feldman
Trustee Hancock
Trustee Servi
Village Clerk Mastandrea
Village Manager Burke
~~Treasurer/Finance Director Peterson~~
Community & Economic Development
Director McNellis

ROLL CALL

Mayor Brandt called the meeting to order at 8:18 p.m. and Village Clerk Mastandrea called the Roll.

2.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1 Acceptance of the August 10, 2015 Committee of the Whole Minutes

The minutes of the August 10, 2015 Committee of the Whole Meeting were approved as submitted.

3.0 ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

3.1 Planning, Zoning and Land Use

3.11 Consideration of a Zoning Board recommendation regarding a request for a new Special Use Permit to establish and operate a dance studio at 300 Village Green in the Village Green Shopping Center (Michael Berman / Center for Ballroom and Dance)

Community & Economic Development Director McNellis provided a summary of the Zoning Board recommendation regarding a request for a new Special Use Permit to establish and operate a dance studio at 300 Village Green, Michael Berman/Center for Ballroom and Dance.

There was a consensus of the Board to place this item on the Consent Agenda for approval at the next Regular Village Board Meeting.

3.12 Consideration of a Zoning Board recommendation regarding a request for amendment to Special Use Permit No.11-3218-40 to permit the expansion of an existing children's daycare center and construction of a new outdoor playground area at 100 Village Green in the Village Green Shopping Center (Bright Stars Kids University, Inc.)

Community & Economic Development Director McNellis provided a summary of the Zoning Board recommendation regarding a request for amendment to Special Use Permit No.11-3218-40 to permit the expansion of an existing children's daycare center and construction of a new outdoor playground area at 100 Village Green for Bright Stars Kids University, Inc. This request involves an expansion to the Subway space, going from 65 students to 95 students and adding a playground expansion to the west of the site. Community & Economic Development Director McNellis highlighted stipulations the Zoning Board recommended regarding the request as follows:

1. Obtain approval from state Department of Child and Family Services (DCFS) or any other required permits.
2. Capping the special use to the current request regarding the expansion of the playground and the additional students.
3. If Bright Stars were to leave the center, and no replacement day care facility came into the center within six months, the landlord would need to discuss with Community & Economic Development the necessity of keeping the playground area.
4. Decorative landscape wall on the west side of the playground area staff does not feel is necessary or a good match to the building.
5. Evergreen material should be densely planted around the play area at all times.

Bright Stars has agreed to meet all the stipulations.

Trustee McDonough asked if the wall in item 4 was already in place. Community & Economic Development Director McNellis stated the wall is in the plans and staff does not feel it is needed since the material is not compatible with the building. Mr. Dennis Lanski, Owner of Bright Stars Kids University, LLC stated they thought the wall would be a nice option for additional protection against cars, but if it is not needed, they will agree to take it out of the plans. Trustee Grujanac noted concern regarding the deletion of the wall and would like to see some type of additional guard for the playground to prevent potential vehicles from entering the play area from the parking lot. Mr. Lanski noted they spoke with DCFS and they are in approval with the plan without the wall but agrees this would be extra protection. Trustee Hancock noted he would like to see the wall or some type of extra protection in place. Village Manager Burke suggested putting the wall on the interior side of the vegetation.

Mayor Brandt asked if there was a requirement on the height of the year round evergreen plantings. Community & Economic Development Director McNellis noted the only requirement on the height of the evergreen plantings is they have to screen the fence.

There was a consensus of the Board to place this item on the Consent Agenda for approval with all Zoning Board stipulation except the

stipulation of removing the wall from the plan at the next Regular Village Board Meeting.

3.2 Finance and Administration

3.3 Public Works

3.4 Public Safety

3.5 Parks and Recreation

3.6 Judiciary and Personnel

4.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.0 NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Residential and Commercial Development

Trustee Hancock stated since he is new to the Board he would like to discuss the importance of additional residential development in the community versus commercial. Trustee Hancock asked if this issue should be discussed in an open forum at some point rather than bringing developers in when there appears to be a fundamental issue. Trustee Hancock asked if the issue is simply the parcel of land Pulte proposed to develop.

Mayor Brandt noted the issue with Pulte was that each time their plan was brought to the Board at least one Trustee was missing for the presentation making this a unique experience for review of the proposed development. As far as other developments, there is an overall comprehensive plan accessible as well as minutes and meetings. Village Manager Burke noted it might be helpful to provide Trustee Hancock with the agenda packet from the June 2014 workshop session where economic development was discussed.

Trustee Hancock noted it is challenging trying to represent community views on development when it is not apparent if a public discussion has occurred. Trustee Hancock asked if there is a potential bias for or against residential development, should there be a discussion in a more public forum.

Village Attorney Simon noted the comprehensive plan is a public document and the most recent analysis of what the long term plans are for available open spaces. Trustee McDonough noted when talking about these things it has to be more than just residential versus commercial but density has to be considered.

Mayor Brandt suggested providing Trustee Hancock some of the plans presented for other developments in the Village from start to finish.

Trustee Hancock asked at what level a single family home is required to go through Board or Architectural Review Board (ARB) approval. Community & Economic Development Director McNellis stated the design of a home is only an issue if it is more than one single family home. The design of a subdivision

would require Board approval.

6.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

7.0 ADJOURNMENT

Trustee McDonough moved and Trustee Feldman seconded the motion to adjourn.
Upon a voice vote, the motion was approved unanimously and Mayor Brandt declared the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

VILLAGE OF LINCOLNSHIRE

Barbara Mastandrea
Village Clerk